Sept. 25, 1862.

Dear Garrison,

I have learned, from
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a source that I must not name,
that Theodore D. Weld is preparing
himself to lecture this fall
and winter. It will be worth
much to the cause of freedom to
bring him out once more. He
has been silent so long, that he
will need a little help at first
to gain the public ear. Is the
Fraternity rich for this season
full? If not, cannot you
secure him an invitation?
My belief is that he would con-
sent if asked. But, for reasons

which I need not stop to explain,
I want the letter of invitation to
be so worded that he will not
have any ground to suspect
that it was inspired by any
friend in this quarter, or that
it is the result of knowledge
that he is really preparing to
lecture. It should be predi-
cated simply upon the natural
inference that, as he is no longer
confined to a school, he may
perchance be willing to appear
once more as a lecturer. I
have good reasons for believing
that he would regard it as a

call of Providence, and accept at once. That he would give a magnificent Lecture I need not tell you. I write to you because I do not know Mr. Clark very well, and am not sure that he knows Mr. Weld well enough to feel sure that he would be a card for the Fraternity Course.

Mr. Weld's address is Perth Amboy, N. J.

Yours truly,

O. Johnson.

Dear friend Gaston.

I add a word to Oliver's note. I am so anxious

that Mr. Weld should be brought
out in Boston, that if the Trades=
=ney Committee cannot conveniently
make a change in their programme
by adding an extra lecture, they
may give Mr. Weld my place.
You may say this, in speaking
to Mrs. Slack. The good old
man would blow a trumpet
of no uncertain sound!

You may tell Wendell
Phillips that the National Intelligencer
at Washington copied his article,
with deadful comments. Truly, Theodore Tilton

Oct. 1st, 1863.